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This I Believe Reflection

This assignment was very interesting. I fully enjoyed writing his essay. It allowed provided an outlet for me to express a personal opinion. I find that my writing is strongest when it entails a personal subject or topic. I think This I Believe is a really important project because it allows individuals to express their views in a way that is accessible to others. This essay was my favorite project that we completed this year. I decided to write about my extended and extensive family. Because of my unique family structure, I believe that those who belong to your family need not be genetically related. I would consider writing another This I Believe essay and submitting it to the website.

Although I thoroughly believe my thesis, I had trouble arriving on a belief statement to write about. When the project was assigned I thought: “I believe a lot of things; what should I write about?” I knew right away that I wanted to make my thesis statement very personal and unique; I just didn’t know what that statement was going to be. I decided to brain storm by opening up a blank document and typing out belief statements. After constructing about twenty statements I decided to go with a primitive version of the statement I wrote my paper about. This statement was raw and needed work. I then spent some time writing my thesis ten different ways so as to create the best possible belief statement. I believe that this method produced a very strong thesis statement.